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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Masahiro IWAMOTO *et al.* )  
) Group Art Unit: 1653  
Application No.: 08/878,177 )  
) Examiner: K. Carlson  
Filed: June 18, 1997 )  
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For: CELL CALCIFICATION )  
SUPPRESSING PROTEINS AND )  
GENES OF THE PROTEINS )  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**TRANSMITTAL FORM**

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and a Notice of Appeal from the Final Office Action dated September 21, 2000.
2. Additional papers enclosed:
  - ☐ Drawings: ☐ Formal
  - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
  - ☐ Form PTO-1449, ☐ references included
  - ☐ Citations
  - ☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit
  - ☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

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3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) apply.

☐ Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

☒ Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee for Extension</u>	<u>[fee for Small Entity]</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	390.00	195.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	<b>890.00</b>	445.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	1,390.00	695.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: **\$890.00**

☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

☐ An extension for \_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

4. Fee Payment

☐ No fee is to be paid at this time.

☒ Checks in the amount of \$890.00 and \$310.00 for a three-month extension of time and a Notice of Appeal, respectively, are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension of time fee or additional fee for claims due to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

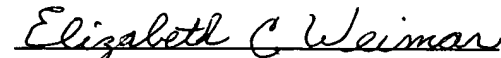
☒ **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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